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MR. MAYO IN NEW YORK CITY.

Stood the Trip Well, and Latest Reports are Highly Favorable.

New York, April 25.—Colonel John C. C. Mayo, Kentucky capitalist, who has been near death at the Jewish hospital, in Cincinnati, for a month past, arrived in New York this morning in Senator Watson's private car. He was accompanied East by Dr. Lindeman, the great blood specialist of this city. Mr. Mayo was carefully conveyed to the Waldorf-Astoria, where a suite of rooms had been prepared for him. This suite is furnished with every device known to medical science for making comfortable the patient, and is as complete as the one he just left at the hospital in the Queen City.

Colonel Mayo is resting comfortably this evening and seems to have stood the long trip well.

Dr. Wilkinson, of Cincinnati, who also accompanied Mr. Mayo to this city, said his patient was still in a serious condition, though he did not believe it critical. He said Mr. Mayo was recuperating slowly from the pneumonia attack, and that the Bright's disease had been brought under control so that they were not much alarmed over it at the present. He said that with proper dieting and surveillance Mr. Mayo might live for 20 years. Dr. Wilkinson will remain here probably a week.

Dr. Herman M. Biggs, the medical officer, will at once take charge of the patient. Mrs. Mayo accompanied her husband and has been as faithful in her attendance on him as the professional nurses.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

WAYLAND, TOWN OF 3000, HAS NO POSTOFFICE.

The town of Wayland, on upper Beaver, has about 3000 inhabitants, but the government has not yet given it a postoffice. The mail still goes to Allen, 25 miles distant, from which place it is carried by private messenger. The government always takes plenty of time in such matters, very much to the inconvenience of the public.

A GOOD HAUL.
City Marshal Ross made a good haul on Monday last. He was notified that three men had boarded a C. & O. train at Hampton City on their way up Sandy, and were drinking and disorderly. They later either got off or were put off the passenger and got on a freight and probably rode to Louisa, as the Marshal found two of them, John Marshall, of Auxier, and Milton Burke, of East Point, near the Louisa mill and run them in.

Later Nathan Mahan, of Paintsville, was found near the passenger depot. He ran up the road, with Ross and C. & O. policeman Henry Johns after him. As he ran he put his hand toward his hip pocket, and Ross, thinking he was about to get his pistol, fired once or twice without hitting him. As they neared Eloise Mahan surrendered. The hip pocket "weapon" proved to be a loaded bottle of brandy. Each prisoner was assessed \$13.65.

R. T. BURNS.
For the first time in many courts Mr. R. T. Burns was unable to be present at any time during the present term of the Lawrence Circuit Court. Very soon after the close of the last January term he became seriously ill, and, as was noted from time to time in the NEWS, he continued sick for several weeks. About the first of April, however, Mr. Burns began to improve, so that he was able to be clothed and walk about. It was his intention to go to the court house on last Monday, but on Sunday night he had a severe chill, and although he was able on Monday to sit on his porch it was deemed best that he should not make the proposed trip to court. Mrs. Burns had been quite sick during the past week, but she, too, is better.

INSPECTION TRIP.
Col. H. J. Jervy, U. S. A., in charge of the Ohio and tributaries, was here Tuesday inspecting the U. S. engineer office at this place. Col. Jervy succeeded Major Rand, with headquarters at Cincinnati. While in Louisa he was the guest of L. S. Johnson, assistant engineer in charge of the Big Sandy.

FATALLY BURNED AT HITCHENS.
Thos. Whitlock, a miner of Hitchens, was seriously burned Wednesday morning while opening a can of powder in his home, and his six year old child, who was watching him, was almost instantly killed when the powder exploded. Whitlock was taken to the King's Daughters' hospital in Ashland. His face and body are deeply burned and grave fears are entertained that the burns and shock may prove fatal.

GREAT IMPROVEMENT.
Those who have not seen the city corner since Mayor Vinson has been at such a great change in the look of the place would not recognize it. The ramshackle old fence has been torn down and its place is taken by a neat woven wire one. The posts have been whitewashed and canna and asters have been planted all about the lot. Watch us improve.

READING GIVEN BY MRS. KELLOGG.

The entertainment given at Masonic Hall on last Thursday evening for the benefit of the M. E. Church was an artistic and financial success. The affair was under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the church, and Mrs. Jeannette Jewell Kellogg, a noted reader, had been secured for the occasion. She sustained her reputation for excellence in her line, pleasing an appreciative and critical audience of diversified tastes with her fine delineations of character. With no change of costume and without visible make-up Mrs. Kellogg presented a large number of entirely different personages, and did it naturally, with no straining after effect. In the reading from the classic production which tells of the vengeance wrought by the Emperor Commodus upon his rival Claudius Mrs. Kellogg was indeed fine. In the village Sewing Circle her fine monologue work made doubly attractive by the play of her expressive features. "Two Chums" was well given, while "Keeping Up With Lizzie," a reading from a recent popular novel, was delightfully rendered and told its own forcible, pointed story in a most convincing way. Mrs. Kellogg's personal beauty and charm of manner are splendid aids to her lyceum work. She was voted quite the best in her way that has been heard in Louisa.

BETTER SERVICE IN POSTOFFICE MONEY ORDERS.

Notice from the Postoffice Department at Washington says on and after July 1, 1914, all domestic money orders will be payable at any postoffice within the continental United States, except Alaska, if presented for payment within 30 days from the date of the issuance. The money orders are to be made payable at a designated money order office as at present, but it is not required that they be presented for payment to the office designated.

DIED AT STONE, KY.

Robert, the seven months old child of the Rev. C. M. Summers and wife, formerly of this city, died at Stone, Pike county, on Saturday last of a kidney trouble. The body was taken to Grayson for burial. At Fort Gay Sunday night the parents, with their dead son, were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wellman, of this city, who accompanied them to Grayson, returning Monday to Louisa.

FARMERS' MEETING AT LEDOCIO MAY 7th.

State Horticulturist to Give Demonstration in Spraying Trees.

The farmers of Ledocio and Mattie and surrounding country have a treat in store for May 7th. J. H. Carmody, State Horticulturist, has been induced by Mr. Kegley to make a demonstration of spraying fruit trees at that time and place. One o'clock is the hour. He will also talk about fruit growing, and home canning. The farmers and their wives and daughters should lay aside their work and attend. It will be worth more than any day's work you can do at home.

Mr. Kegley will be present and talk on general farm improvement and vegetable growing.

At Louisa, May 8th.

On May 8th, at one o'clock, Mr. Kegley will have Mr. Carmody at Louisa. He will talk at the court house about fruit growing and canning. Vegetable growing and general farm improvement also will be discussed. Everybody invited.

SLEMP COAL COMPANY.

Slemp Consolidated Coal Co., Paintsville, recently organized with a capital stock of \$2,500,000, consolidates various holdings which have been practically under the same ownership. It brings \$5,000 acres of coal land under a single management, and will effect leases with operatives. A lease has recently been given to W. E. Davis, of Jellico, Tenn., and a lease is being negotiated to J. T. Davis and W. N. Heath, of Hazard. C. B. Slemp, of Big Stone Gap, Va., is the Slemp company's president.—Manufacturers' Record.

REV. ERNEST ROBINSON

Dr. Ernest Robinson, formerly of this conference, now serving his fourth year at Amarillo, Texas, has received over four hundred members during his pastorate, having paid off a church debt of \$8,000, both church and parsonage being out of debt. He lives in a \$12,500 parsonage and receives a salary of \$3,000. Dr. Robinson was elected as one of the four clerical delegates to the General Conference from the Northern Texas Conference.—Laymen's Herald.

SERIOUS OPERATION.

On Wednesday last Mrs. James Vinson, of this city, was operated upon at the hospital. A large tumor was removed from her and she is doing well. Dr. L. H. York, assisted by Drs. Bromley and Wellman, performed the operation.

CAPT. F. F. FREESE TRAVELING WARDEN.

Appointed Special Deputy by State Fish and Game Commission.

The many friends of Capt. F. F. Freese, of this place, will be glad to know that he has been appointed special deputy or traveling warden for the Kentucky Game and Fish Commission. This was done at a meeting of the commission this week.

We do not exaggerate when we say that no position ever found a man better fitted for it, and no man ever had a job that suited him better than does this one. Capt. Freese has always taken the keenest interest in the matter that will come under his supervision and is thoroughly posted. He will put into the work the enthusiasm and intelligent direction that is necessary to make a success.

At the meeting at which this appointment was made it was decided to devote the funds and labor of the commission during the coming year to the preservation of other preserves throughout the State along the same line as the one in Bell county, upon which eighteen deer have been liberated and where the members of the commission say they have found the conditions ideal.

It was announced that all the public streams of the State will be restocked with fish very shortly, the first consignment of 10,000,000 of fish will reach Frankfort about May 10, and from there will be transported to the various streams in cans, which have been purchased for the purpose.

RESIDENCE AND \$500 IN MONEY BURNED.

Elijah Rice sustained a considerable loss by fire at Cannel City a few nights ago. The residence occupied by him was completely destroyed. No furniture or clothing were saved, and the family barely escaped with their lives. \$500 in money was destroyed by the flames. For some unaccountable reason Mr. Rice was keeping this money in his home, instead of depositing it in a bank. Mr. Rice is a native of this county. His wife was a daughter of James Allison, deceased, who is remembered by the older citizens of this place.

REV. H. J. RAMEY DEAD.

The news will be received with a great deal of sorrow by people of this section of the State of the death of Rev. H. J. Ramey, of Salt Lick, Ky., which occurred Tuesday evening. Mr. Ramey had been in declining health for some time and his death was due to a general breakdown of his system. He was 77 years old.

Mr. Ramey was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was at one time presiding elder of the Ashland district and made his home in Ashland for a great many years. For the past several years Mr. Ramey had made his home with his son Joe on a farm near Salt Lick, Ky. He is survived by his wife and the following children: John W., of Ashland; Joseph of Salt Lick, and Mrs. Will Means, of Maysville, Ky.

The body arrived in Ashland Wednesday afternoon for burial.

CLERK HAY AND HIS OFFICE.

County Clerk M. A. Hay is, to use a bit of expressive slang, "onto his job." Very early in his incumbency he "got the hang" of the office and it responsible and numerous duties, and now matters are going along smoothly and properly. The records are well kept, the rooms are clean and kept in order, and the clerk himself is a model of industry and accommodation. He is on duty early and late, ready to serve the public in his official capacity.

AN EXPERIMENT FARM.

It looks just now like an experiment farm will be located in the neighborhood of Louisa. It is understood that a tract of 50 acres has been selected as being in a good degree representative of the land in this section, and that Dr. Mutchler and Mr. Carmody, and Dr. Kastle and Prof. Mathews, all of the Agricultural College and the U. S. Agricultural and Extension Station will be here, separately or together, in a few days to put the matter into proper shape for immediate work. All who are interested in having an experiment station established in this vicinity should endeavor to meet these men and have an exchange of views on a matter which so vitally concerns this entire county.

BIEDERWOLF.

The big revival conducted by the Rev. Dr. Biederwolf, at Branton, will close this week. It has been a phenomenal success, it being estimated that 2,000 conversions have been professed. The meetings were held in an immense building which was erected especially for them, and the daily and nightly attendance was very large.

RAILROAD WORK RESUMED.

The question of right of way through the Catlett farm has at last been settled, and work on the Owensville and Olympia railroad has been resumed. The working force has been increased while grading and track laying is in progress. It will be a matter of only a few weeks until trains will be running into town.

CHILD BORN BLIND IS GIVEN SIGHT.

Daisy Vance, six years old, blind from birth and daughter of John R. Vance, of Cannel City, can now see for the first time in her young life. She was a bright child, of winning ways, and this, coupled with her blind, helpless condition, made her an object of sympathetic attention. Like most children who are born blind she became expert in distinguishing objects by the sense of touch and in this way she learned what things were.

Mr. Vance had been told of some wonderful things which modern surgery had accomplished in the way of making the blind see, and three or four weeks ago the child was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital at Lexington. There she was carefully examined, and it was declared that she could be caused to see. An operation was performed which was entirely successful. The father was notified of the time when the bandage would be removed from his child's eyes. Of course he was present when this was done, and both were overjoyed at the success of the surgeon's work. The little one passed her hands over Mr. Vance's face and cried, "Oh, this is my papa!" When asked how she knew she said, "Why, he feels like my papa."

Mr. Vance said he had long given up all hope of his daughter ever being able to see, and was delighted with the result of the surgeon's skill.

LAWRENCE COUNTY BOY WINS PRIZE.

Sink Roberts, of Cadmus, this county, is one of the ten boys in Kentucky who won prizes from the State department by raising more than 45 bushels of corn on an acre of ground last year. Sink is about twelve years old and is a son of Mrs. Martha Roberts, widow of Willis V. Roberts.

His success should arouse Lawrence county boys to greater efforts. Industry and modern methods will put our county right up in the front ranks. The old time way of farming will not win in the present day.

MRS. HAMILTON'S MOTHER DEAD.

On Sunday last the Rev. Olus Hamilton, pastor of the Louisa Baptist Church, received a telegram informing him of the critical illness of his wife's mother at Greenbrier, near Bardonia, Ky. He and Mrs. Hamilton left that evening for Greenbrier, where Mrs. Hamilton arrived on Monday, but her mother was unconscious and failed to recognize her daughter. Mr. Hamilton arrived on Tuesday, but death had already occurred.

"GO TO SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY" MAY 3.

Proclamation by Governor McCreary Appointing the Day.

To the People of Kentucky:
Whereas, the supreme need in our State today is that the forces which make for character and christianity shall control the forces which make for intelligence and patriotism, and one of the greatest forces which make for character and christianity is the Sunday School;

Whereas, in an effort to produce a "Greater and a Better Kentucky," the Kentucky Sunday School Association has appointed May third as a "Go to Sunday School Day," hoping to have one million people in Sunday School that day;

Whereas, the Sunday Schools of all denominations will observe this day with appropriate exercises, and are issuing invitations to all our citizens to attend Sunday School;

And, whereas, those who are interested in the welfare of our State should work together to produce the best citizenship;

Therefore, I, James B. McCreary, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, call upon all Kentuckians and the visitors within our borders to attend Sunday School in the church of their choice on May third, 1914, that they may give encouragement and honor to those who teach in these schools, that they may see the work which is being done, and that they may in this service worship their God.

In Testimony Whereof, I have caused these letters to be made patent, and the seal of the Commonwealth to be hereunto affixed. Done at Frankfort, the twenty-third day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and fourteen, and in the one hundred and twenty-second year of the Commonwealth.

JAMES B. MCCREARY.

By the Governor, C. F. CREELIUS, Secretary of State.

By Cecil H. Vansant, Asst. Secretary of State.

DR. GRAHAM APPOINTED.

Dr. C. L. Graham's home friends in this, his native county, will be glad to learn that he has won his fight for postmaster at Valley, Lewis county, a desirable fourth class office.

NO BEAVER TRAINS YET.

Passenger trains are not yet running on the Beaver Creek division of the C. & O. The road bed has not sufficiently settled to make traffic safe. It may be June 1st before regular service will be established.

GIRL OF FIFTEEN DROWNED IN TUG

Miss Clara Chaffin the Victim of a Sad Accident at Webb.

Miss Clara Chaffin was drowned in Tug river at Webb, 18 miles above Louisa, a few days ago. Her body has just been found about 300 yards below the place where she went down. She was 15 years old and a daughter of Henry Chaffin.

Miss Chaffin was accustomed to handling a small boat kept by her father. Upon the occasion of the accident which cost her life she had crossed the river in this boat to bring over a girl friend of hers. The river was rather high and the current quite swift. They were nearing the landing on the return trip when the boat was carried against a tree by the strong current and capsized. Miss Chaffin was drowned. Her companion held to the boat until rescued.

Miss Clara was an excellent girl and quite a favorite in the community, and her tragic ending brought the deepest sorrow to all.

FOURTH-CLASS POSTMASTERS NAMED IN KENTUCKY.

Henry Porter, at Allen, Floyd county; William H. Powers, at Auxier, Floyd county; M. J. Allen, at Lowmansville, Johnson county; Charles Franklin, at West Liberty, Morgan county.

O. & B. S. BRAKEMAN TRIES TO SUICIDE.

Catlettsburg, April 27.—Walter Day a brakeman on the Big Sandy division of the C. & O., whose home is at Olive Hill, jumped in to the Ohio river off the Catlettsburg wharftboat this morning about ten o'clock, with a view, it is said, of committing suicide. Officer Farrow, who happened to be near, at the risk of his own life, jumped into the river and saved Day, who was then locked up in city prison on a charge of intoxication.

SUNDAY AT HUNTINGTON.

The Rev. "Billy" Sunday, the most talked of and probably the most successful conductor of revival meetings in the United States, began a series at Huntington on Sunday last. A special tabernacle has been built for this meeting, and one day's service showed that, while it will comfortably hold 10,000 people, it is none too large. On Sunday morning between 7,000 and 8,000 people were at the opening service. In the afternoon nearly 5,000 were present, while nearly 10,000 attended the night meeting.

Mr. Sunday has his own singers and musicians, but a grand chorus of 500 voices assists in the grand service of song. The meeting is planned to continue four weeks, and there is no doubt that during that time many from Louisa and vicinity will hear the wonderful preacher.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Lawrence County Sunday School Association is called to meet at the M. E. Church South in Louisa at 10 a. m., Saturday, May 2nd. Not only the members of the committee, but the pastors of all the churches are urged to be present.

KILLED IN MINE.

Emmitt Kirk, of McVeigh, Ky., an employee of the Pond Creek Coal Co., met a most terrible death Wednesday morning while at work. He had been doing some work in the mine and had started to find the electrician, riding on the mine "electric mule," to do so. By some means he fell from the motor and was pressed against the side of the mine so closely that he was unable to breathe.

BROTHERS TELL OF KILLING.

Grayson, Ky., April 26.—Robert and Buck Biggs, brothers, living eight miles west of here, today surrendered to Sheriff Potts, saying they killed James Case, of Farm Penant, in a quarrel about farm tools last night. The Biggs claim self-defense. Case was 35 years old and left a widow and two small children.

RESIDENCE BURNED.

The fine stone dwelling of John H. Gardner, of Salyersville, was destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon with its contents. The loss is estimated at \$4,000, with insurance of \$2,000. This is the second dwelling, together with two barns, that Mr. Gardner has lost by fire. The family was away when the fire started.

HE FOUND IT HOT.

On Saturday last Harrison Rowe, an inmate of the Fort Gay lock-up, set fire to that structure and as a result he was nearly cremated alive. He gave the alarm and was with difficulty taken off the blazing building, but not before both hands and arms and one leg were very badly burned. Dr. Ira Wellman attended to the man's injuries.

CAPT. VAUGHAN ILL.

Capt. Rec Vaughan, well known steamboatman, is reported to be hopelessly ill at his home in Fleming county. He moved from Catlettsburg to Fleming about two years ago.

MORE RAILROAD IN MORGAN COUNTY.

The West Liberty Courier says: A party of business men composed of Messrs. John W. Wrigley, S. T. and T. H. McCormick, of Pennsylvania, W. B. Townsend and Geo. H. Gearhart, of Clearfield, and L. Darrow, of Indiana and Kentucky, passed through the city Tuesday enroute to index where they were met by Mr. W. D. Walbridge, of New York, President of the O. & K. Railroad. We are not informed as to the object of the meeting, but rumor has it that the first named gentlemen, who are connected with the Morehead & North Fork Railroad, are negotiating with Mr. Walbridge with a view of connecting the two roads, which are at present only separated by a few miles.

The presence of those gentlemen gives renewed encouragement to the long cherished hope that West Liberty will some day have better transportation facilities.

THREE NEW OIL WELLS BEING STARTED.

The prospects for a paying oil field in Lawrence county are better than ever. The well on Mrs. Hannah Lackey's farm near Yatesville is the best in the field. It is reported all the way up to sixteen barrels per day, but the most conservative do not place it below ten barrels. The well on T. H. Burchett's place is making almost as much.

The Ohio Fuel Company is drilling a well on the Wm. Clark farm and the depth is now nearly 1000 feet.

A derrick is being erected on the Hackworth & Burns farm near Carter bridge.

Another location has been made on the Wm. Savage farm, and a well is soon to be drilled on the Layne farm adjoining.

The well on the Oliver Lear farm, just opposite Potter, on the West Virginia side of Big Sandy, came in with a showing of both gas and oil and will be shot.

The Standard Oil Company has reduced the price of Pennsylvania grade oil in this county to \$1.20 per barrel. It has been paying \$1.35.

PRESIDENT ALDERMAN RESIGNS.

At a meeting held in the steward's room of Johnson Memorial Church, Huntington, the Board of Trustees of Morris Harvey College accepted the resignation of Dr. Rhenis H. Alderman as president of the college. The resignation will go into effect at the end of the school year and next fall Dr. Alderman will become president of Southern College at Sutherland.

CIRCUIT COURT HAS ADJOURNED.

Verdict Secured in a Number of Cases During the Week.

On Thursday of the second week of court Cecil Castle was tried on a charge of forgery and was found guilty. The defense plead the morphine habit, but the jury had the case but a short time before it returned a verdict. Castle, who came from Lincoln county, W. Va., claimed that he knew nothing whatever of the transaction. He forged the check of Elijah Gartin for seventeen dollars and with it procured a quantity of goods from a country store. The punishment is imprisonment in the penitentiary from one to five years.

On Sunday Castle, Elbin L. McDugal, the bigamist, and Sam Carter, for false swearing, were taken by Sheriff Stone, the first two to the State Reformatory at Frankfort and the last named to the Reform School near Lexington.

Dr. O. H. Motley has been sentenced for the killing of El Dennis, at Exell, and is in jail. It is said that efforts are being made to secure his pardon by the Governor.

Mrs. Maggie Stump, of this county, obtained a verdict awarding her judgment for \$500 for damages for injuries caused by the C. & O. railway. Fred See, of Louisa, and John W. Woods, of Ashland, represented the plaintiff, and M. C. Kirk, of Inez, and W. D. Cochran, of Maysville, the defendant. The case will be appealed.

The opinion is expressed by the bar generally that this court has done more business than had been done on any term of the circuit court for many years. It has certainly been a very busy season.

In the case of Thaddeus Ransom against the C. & O. railway the plaintiff obtained a verdict for \$1600. The suit grew out of the killing of plaintiff's father, Robert Ransom, by the defendant company. The accident occurred at Normal and the amount sued for was \$20,000. The company will take an appeal. Mr. Ransom was represented by A. O. Carter and John W. Woods.

Another damage suit against the C. & O. was that of Miss Blanche Black, of Buchanan. It was alleged that in getting off a train the plaintiff sprained one of her ankles. The jury awarded her \$500. W. D. O'Neal appeared for the plaintiff.

The Catlettsburg liquor dealer who was heavily fined and sentenced to imprisonment for shipping liquor to Louisa, obtained a new trial.

On Wednesday afternoon this busy term of court was brought to a close by final adjournment. Judge Redwine left on the evening train for his home.